

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

August 27, 1999

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Renée Steinhagen, Executive Director Public Interest Law Center of New Jersey 833 McCarter Highway Newark, NJ 07102

RE: MUR 4719

Dear Ms. Steinhagen:

This is in reference to the complaint you filed with the Federal Election Commission on September 11, 1997, concerning the New Jersey Republican State Committee. While your complaint was originally designated as MUR 4674, on February 13, 1998, the Commission voted to open a MUR comprising only the activity of the New Jersey Republican State Committee and H. George Buckwald, as treasurer. This matter was designated MUR 4719.

After conducting an investigation in this matter, the Commission found that there was probable cause to believe that the New Jersey Republican State Committee and H. George Buckwald, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441a and 441b and 11 C.F.R. §§ 102.5(a)(1)(i) and 106.5(g)(1)(i), provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, and the Commission's regulations. On August 20, 1999, a conciliation agreement signed on behalf of the respondents was accepted by the Commission, thereby concluding the matter. Accordingly, the Commission closed the file in this matter on August 20, 1999. A copy of this agreement is enclosed for your information.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Eric S. Brown

Paralegal Specialist

Enclosure
Conciliation Agreement